



Public Information Office  
**United States Courts for the Ninth Circuit**  
Office of the Circuit Executive · 95 7<sup>th</sup> Street, San Francisco, CA 94103 · (415) 355-8800 · (415) 355-8901 Fax

**NEWS RELEASE**

September 3, 2014

Contact: David Madden (415) 355-8800

## **Memorial Service Scheduled in Arizona for Senior District Judge Alfredo C. Marquez**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – A memorial service will be held Thursday, September 4, for Senior District Judge Alfredo C. Marquez of the United States District Court for the District of Arizona. Family and friends will gather at 12 p.m. at the Chapel at Evergreen, 3015 North Oracle Road in Tucson.

Judge Marquez died Wednesday, August 27, 2014, in Tucson. He was 92.

Nominated by President Carter, Judge Marquez was confirmed by the Senate on June 26, 1980, and received his judicial commission on June 30, 1980. He was the second district judge of Hispanic descent to be appointed in the District of Arizona. He served as an active judge for 11 years, assuming senior status on July 25, 1991.

Chief District Judge Raner C. Collins of the District of Arizona said of Judge Marquez, “He was a wise and compassionate man. He will be missed by us all.”

“Another Arizona legend has left us,” added a former colleague, Senior District Judge Stephen M. McNamee. “He was a terrific judge and attorney and had a delightful sense of humor. It was an honor to have served with him on the bench.”

Prior to coming onto the federal bench, Judge Marquez had been in private practice in Tucson from 1958 to 1990. Earlier in his career, he served as a prosecutor for the City of Tucson from 1956 to 1957; as the deputy county attorney for Pima County, Arizona, from 1952 to 1954; and as an assistant attorney general for the State of Arizona from 1951 to 1952. He began his career in private practice in Phoenix from 1950 to 1951.

Judge Marquez was born in 1922 in Winkelman, Arizona. His parents were Mexican immigrants who became U.S. citizens. After high school, he moved to Los Angeles to study engineering at Curtis Wright Tech. In 1941, at the outset of World War II, he joined the Navy, becoming a pilot and later serving as a flight instructor. After the war, he returned to Arizona to resume his education. He received his B.A. from the University of Arizona in 1948 and his LL.B. from the University of Arizona College of Law in 1950.

Judge Marquez is survived by four children, Mark, Sandra, Sharon and Linda, as well as 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, from his marriage to his first wife, Georgie. He is also survived by a step-daughter, Natalie, and two grandchildren, from his marriage to his second wife, Linda.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to brain cancer research or the Parkinson's Association.

# # #